



More Monthly Newsletter

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Wordless Books Webinar: 2/17/2023

Discover how wordless pictures help readers of all ages and abilities by inviting them to look closely, share ideas, and engage in collaborative storytelling.

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Don't Miss It!

It's time for the State Library's annual Read-In celebration, and this year brings anticipation like no other. We'll march to the beat of the South Carolina State University drum line, beginning at the State Library, traveling Senate Street, and up the North Steps of the State House. Educators and their students will join thousands of others from our state in chanting, "Kids Who Read Succeed." We'll celebrate reading with special guests, join Cocky's Reading Express for a read-a-loud, and recognize every school in attendance. Ensure your school is included in the roll call by <u>registering to attend on April 20</u>,





Spring Sessions

Spring into action and pursue the grant you hope to obtain for your non-profit organization. We kick off our spring series of grants workshops with the ever-popular "Create a Winning Proposal" session on March 2. Get motivated by learning the ins and outs of applying for grants, the key components to include, and what funders want to know about your project. The session also covers what to do after winning a grant. Don't have a funder? We can help there too. Register for the March 31 session exploring electronic and print resources that can help you find information on private foundations and corporations offering grants.

We will host the "Create a Winning Proposal" session on two additional dates this Spring, April 19 and May 17.



Let's Celebrate Art!

There are a few weeks left to submit entries for the <u>Talking Book Services Art Gallery competition</u>. We encourage any visually impaired/blind child or young adult still in school to submit their tactile artwork by the March 3, 2023, deadline. First, second, and third-place winners in three age categories will receive prizes. We will celebrate the students and their work with an awards ceremony on April 13, 2023.

Love Our SC Docs

Part of our role is to procure and maintain a collection of the documents state agencies produce; each is essential to scripting the South Carolina state government story. That's why we

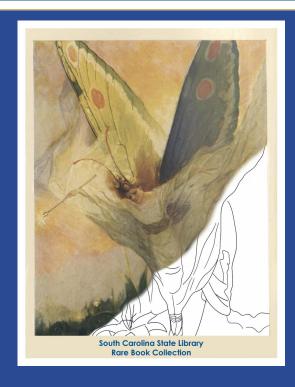


love our <u>State Documents Depository</u>. Will you help us share the love and send 15 copies of your agency's documents? We'll preserve three in our collection, send one to the Library of Congress, and the rest to the other state document depositories. <u>This guide</u> makes submitting easy. Follow us on Twitter @scstatelibrary; you might see Sol and Edgar giving your document some love.

Worth a Thousand Words

Get ready to take a visual journey through South Carolina from the comfort of our lobby. Brigadier General Marie Goff, U.S. Army Retired, completed over 37 years of military service in the United States Army and the South Carolina National Guard. After leaving the military, she combined her passion for photography with her love of travel and started a travel blog. General Goff shares some of her most treasured images of South Carolina in an exhibit from March to May. Make plans to stop by for a look and join us for a program featuring General Goff on the evening of May 11.





Colorful Content

This week libraries, archives, and other cultural institutions worldwide are sharing free coloring sheets and books based on materials in their collections. Our coloring



Stories Worth Sharing

We asked, and you delivered. Responses to the "Share Your Story" library advocacy campaign yielded testimonies of libraries making a difference across South Carolina.

pages feature illustrations from pieces in the **Rare Books Collection**, including fairy tales, magazines, and classics. **Download** the pages and share your creations on social media by tagging @scstatelibrary and using the hashtag #ColorOurCollections.

Their impact is astounding as submissions show the unique ways that librarians utilize resources to meet patron needs. Get ready for inspiration when flipping through the virtual version. State and federal legislators will receive printed copies as a reminder of how libraries support South Carolina. Thanks to all who submitted.



For the Love of Data

Love data week begins on Monday. This year's theme is Data: Agent of Change. The right narrative can help inspire positive change in your community. That's why the February Data Chat is devoted to discovering unique data visualizations that can help you tell your library's story. Please register to join us on February **16** and take a deep dive into descriptive data.

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